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Local and Personal News.

Rev. A. L. Carter, came in Tuesday noon, on a visit to his wife.

Dr. D. F. Luckey, came in Tuesday noon, to see how the tick eradication work was getting along.

Geo. A. Neal left Monday noon for Colorado Springs, Col., where he will spend the summer months.

A marriage license was issued Tuesday, from the circuit clerk's office to Reese Brown and Miss Gertrude Camp of Oxy.

Col. W. H. Righter, returned last Saturday from Henry Boyles farm at Bay Mills where he has been for the past week.

C. E. Gough, of Briar Creek, returned Sunday from Jefferson City, where he went as a delegate to attend the state convention of the Farmers Union.

Ray Morgan of Rolla, Mo., came in last Thursday on a visit to his sister, Mrs. J. P. Campbell. Miss Marvin Campbell who had been visiting at Rolla, came home with him.

Horace Paul, was in town over Sunday from Camp Roy. He is farming this year, and has about 35 acres of corn, besides other feed. He will feed a lot of cattle and hogs this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Chasinski, accompanied by Miss Joe, Charles, Jr., and two smaller children left Wednesday noon, on their return to St. Louis, after spending the summer at Camp Roy.

J. A. Taylor, President of the Springfield Business College, says that he can place a number of young persons from this county in good permanent positions if they will qualify in his school. Tuition free if he fails.

Mrs. Frank Meech who has been sick for some time, was taken by Mr. Meech, Wednesday, to Battle Creek, Mich., where she will be placed in a Sanatorium and remain until her health has improved. Her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Wheelock and Mrs. Ed. Ferguson accompanied them as far as Neelyville.

A party composed of W. C. Mabrey, R. E. Lee, W. W. Johnston, F. J. Burford, Jas. G. Merrell, Riley Pierce, Jeff Sandlin and Alex Hubbard, went up to Wells creek Monday evening and giggered back that night. The killed about 100 pounds of fish, besides a five and one quarter pound eel which Jim Merrell killed. They got back about four o'clock Tuesday morning.

Henry E. Braschler, Superintendent of county schools, returned Sunday from Jefferson City, where he went to attend the convention of County Superintendents. He reports a large and enthusiastic meeting, every county in the state being represented except one. While there he met Prof. E. M. Carter, formerly superintendent of city schools here, who sent his greetings to his many Ripley county friends. Prof. Bertram Harry was also present.

**Fiddler's
Contest**

At the Courthouse to-morrow night,

**August 21st,
at 8 o'clock, p. m.**

Prizes given for the three best Fiddlers. Entertainment given for benefit of the new band being organized. Many Fiddlers have agreed to enter the contest. Don't forget the date, to-morrow night, Saturday, August 21, 1908, 8 p. m.

Prices 15 and 25 cents.
Reserved seats 10 cents.

Tickets on sale at Johnston's Pharmacy.

Dr. Jno. R. Hume made a trip to Grandin last night to see a lady who was sick.

Miss May Scott has been engaged to teach up in the McKinney neighborhood and left Sunday for her school.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnot Sheppard are the happy parents of a new daughter, their first born, which arrived Wednesday night.

Mrs. J. A. Thomas who has been sick for some time with typhoid fever, but was thought to be improving, is much worse at the time we go to press.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Harmon are this week entertaining their nieces, the Misses Wanda Hungerford of Memphis, Tenn., and Grace Hungerford of Joplin, Mo.

The year old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Gomer of east Doniphan, died yesterday and will be buried to-day. The cause of death was Saint Vitus Dance and Paralysis.

Low Hicks is this week erecting a porch over the northwest corner of the Pearce Mer. Co., store. The sun shining in the west show window, made the window so hot it was impossible to make a display in it.

A professional window decorator representing the Swift Packing Co., of Chicago was here Wednesday and made a very pretty window display in the windows of the Jones & Swain Mer. Co., Ponder & Merrell, and Borth Mer. Co., of their products.

Notice To Taxpayers.

All 1907 taxes must be paid soon, to avoid cost. Don't wait longer, because it means cost to you.

Respectfully,
W. H. ROBERTSON, Col.

**Immigration Commission
To Inspect Current
River.**

Governor Hadley and the State Immigration Commission are planning to make a trip down Current river in October, for the purpose of inspecting the country tributary to Current river. The trip as planned at present will start in to the river at Cedar Grove on the line between Dent and Shannon counties and float down to Van Buren in Carter county. The purpose of the committee is to look at the country with a view to inducing manufacturing concerns to locate and work up the timber and railroads to build through the country so that the raw material after being worked up can be taken to market, and settlers can be induced to locate in this part of the state where so much wild land is still waiting on the settler.

For some reason the commission seems to have formed the idea that the river was not navigable below Van Buren, or that there was nothing below there so they decided to and their trip there. E. E. Herrif, manager of the Doniphan Roller Mill Co., on learning of the fact that they were not going to visit Doniphan, wrote a letter to Gov. Hadley requesting them to come here, but, as the governor is out of the state the letter was referred by his secretary to J. H. Curran of St. Louis, who is president of the Immigration Commission. The matter was also referred to Mayor Swain, by Mr. Herrif, who on behalf of the City of Doniphan, appointed Dr. S. A. Proctor, to make arrangements to extend the commission an invitation to come here.

Mr. Curran in replying to Mr. Herrif's letter, stated that definite arrangements had not been made as to the trip, but said that they would be made next week, and further stated that they intended to return to St. Louis on the I. M. railroad. Information was also asked for as to the fall of the river between Van Buren and Doniphan and to the navigability of it. Mr. Herrif will furnish them with the information.

As the best part of Current river is below Van Buren, and Doniphan is the largest town on the river, every effort should be made to get the party to stop here. Further information as to the intentions of the commission will be given next week. In the meantime let every citizen lend what ever aid to Messrs. Herrif and Proctor that they are able to give.

Surrender Their Lease.

Dorris & Sprague, lessees of the Corning and Pochonias, Ark., telephone systems, who last winter closed a ten year lease with the Doniphan Telephone Co., on last Saturday surrendered their contract to T. L. Wright, owner of the Doniphan Telephone Co., and are now out of the telephone business in Missouri.

F. B. Sprague who was here last Saturday to transfer the company back, stated that the reason they were unable to make a success of it, was on account of the fact that they were unable to collect the monthly rentals, while part of the subscribers paid promptly a large per cent refused to pay. A good many of those who refused to pay, claimed that they were unable to get service over their phones, and did not care to pay for something which they did not receive any benefit from.

When Dorris & Sprague leased the company they stated that it was their intention to greatly improve the system by cabling all the heavy lead lines in town and make other needed improvements, but the improvements never materialized. J. N. Price was brought here from Walnut Ridge, Ark., to act as manager. Mr. Wright since again assuming the management of the company has re-instated Miss Minnie Moore as day operator at the switch board and put Paul Frederick back in his old position as electrician, and both have gone to work to rehabilitate the entire system and again put it on the same footing it originally was. Work has already commenced on the lines to straighten them out so that they can be used.

Braschler Qualifies.

Henry E. Braschler, who was elected county school commissioner at the spring election, qualified Monday for the position of Superintendent of County Schools.

The office was created by legislative enactment by the last legislature and carries with it a salary of \$800. The office of commissioner is abolished under the new law, the superintendent attending to the duties of that office. Commissioner Braschler was commissioned by County Judge Jno. A. Pulliam, and filed a bond for \$1600 for the faithful performance of the duties of the office.

The new superintendent is now preparing for the teachers meeting next week, but expects shortly to commence visiting rural schools.

After the teachers meeting he will prepare his outline for the state course of study for the use and benefit of teachers during the coming school term.

Superintendent Braschler informs us that he has received many applications for copies of the new school laws, and asks us to state that he is unable to furnish them at the present time, but is informed by the State Superintendent that they will be ready for distribution to teachers and directors about January 1st, 1910, when he will promptly distribute them.

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Why They Failed.

In Ripley county out of 55 applicants for teacher's license, only 25 were successful; in Butler county, 50 out of 74 passed. Either the latter county has the stronger corps of teachers or the weaker examinations.—Malden Merit.

We notice that the Malden Merit, in commenting on the greater proportion of applicants who failed in the June teachers' examinations in Ripley county than in Butler county says that either Butler county has the stronger corps of teachers or the weaker examinations.

Ripley county has always had a strong corps of teachers and a great effort is being made not only to retain the present standard but raise it to a higher degree of perfection. We admit that many of the applicants were young and in a measure that accounts for many of the failures.

Washington Once Gave Up

to three doctors; was kept in bed for five weeks. Blood poison from a spider's bite caused large, deep sores to cover his leg. The doctors failed, then "Bucklin's Arnica Salve" completely cured me," writes John Washington, of Boqueville, Tex. For eczema, boils, burns and piles its supreme. 25c. at Johnston's Pharmacy.

A Week On Current.

Dr. J. W. Williamson, pastor of the Third Baptist Church of St. Louis, and Prof. Caldwell, teacher in the St. Louis High School, came down from St. Louis Monday, and that evening accompanied by Dr. C. H. Martin, W. W. Martin, Ed. Cox and Leonard Randal and Claud Kinard as camp cooks and boatmen, went up on the "red devil" to Bay Mills where they will spend the week hunting and fishing. Dr. Williamson and Prof. Caldwell have both been here before on fishing trips and always return. They expect to return to St. Louis Saturday.

MIKE STACK RESIGNES.

**Declares Transfer Had
Nothing to Do With
His Resigning.**

Police History Recalled.

St. Louis Times.

The transfer of Sergt. Michael Stack to the Dayton Street Police Station, and Sergt. George E. Straughan to the Newstead Avenue Station, followed Friday morning by announcement of Stack's resignation, adds to the complexity of the police muddle.

Sergt. Stack's statement that he merely wants to retire to rural life, and that his transfer has nothing to do with his leaving the force, is not fully credited by his friends.

He has completed 30 years' continuous service, and is entitled to draw \$1000 from the Police Relief Association. Stack rose to the rank of Lieutenant, but three years ago he was reduced to his present rank for failure to discipline a patrolman of his command for a minor offense. He is said to be in prosperous circumstances, but his friends doubt if he would be content on the farm near Doniphan, Mo., where he purposes to sojourn.

POLITICAL HISTORY REVIVED.

The transfer of Stack and Straughan revives an interesting bit of police political history. Straughan was a sergeant in the Central District when former Gov. Folk was Circuit Attorney for St. Louis and began to possess gubernatorial aspirations. Straughan was one of Folk's earliest and most enthusiastic followers.

The sergeant had come to the Police Department from Southeast Missouri, and was known to exert influence in that section. He made no secret of the fact that he was doing active work in Folk's behalf.

Harry B. Hawes had just resigned from the Police Board at that time, but his influence was powerful. Hawes bitterly opposed Folk. Mathew Kiely was Chief of Police then, and he was devoted to Hawes' interests. Straughan's activity won for him the enmity of Kiely.

HALED BEFORE BOARD.

Straughan was haled before the board on some trivial charge. Kiely had prosecuted him. The board concluded to reprimand Straughan. Before the reprimand could be administered Straughan removed his shield from his breast and threw it on the table before the president. He declared that a reprimand was not deserved, and boldly stated that the charge was brought for purely political reasons.

Straughan said he had quit his job, but his retirement was only temporary, and that when an "American was made Chief of Police he would return to the department."

Folk was successful in his candidacy for Governor, and later Chief Creevy was made the head of the Police Department.

Straughan appealed to Jefferson City and the Governor's influence was exerted in his behalf. He was reinstated, but was detailed in the Ninth District. Straughan expressed discontent with his assignment. He had resigned from the Central District, and that was where he wanted to be placed.

Sergt. Stack Returns Here.

Mike Stack before becoming a member of the St. Louis Metropolitan Police force, was a citizen of Ripley county, and lived on a farm which he owned east of town. He bought the old Barnes farm, which adjoins the city limits on the north and east and lies south of the lower Greenville road, last spring and will improve it, and make his home on it. His best reason for resigning is given in a statement in the St. Louis Star, of last Friday.

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"My family is raised. All my children are married. There is but myself and my good wife and we want to live with nature for our declining years," the Sergeant told a confidant Thursday.

Sergeant Stack arrived here Tuesday, and is stopping temporarily with R. C. Barrett and family. Mike and his wife have many friends throughout Ripley county, who welcome them back again as citizens after their long absence.

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FREE TRIP TO ST. LOUIS.

**The St. Louis Republic To
Entertain 114 Missourians
in St. Louis During
Centennial Celebration
October 5-6.**

The Twice-a-Week Republic of St. Louis, Mo., has inaugurated a subscription contest in every county in the State of Missouri and the paper will defray the expenses of one person from each county for a three-day visit to St. Louis during the Centennial celebration, October 5, 6 and 7. The person having the greatest number of points to his credit before September 25 will receive this grand free trip. Besides the free trip a beautiful upright piano will be given to the person in the State having the greatest number of points to his credit. Every man, woman and child in Missouri is eligible in this contest.

The winner in each county will receive \$20 in cash for hotel and expenses for the three days while in St. Louis. 20 per cent commission will be paid for each subscription sent in to apply on the contest, railroad fare for the round trip will be paid, a free trip in the

"Seeing St. Louis" automobiles, theater ticket to any theater desired for the three nights you are in St. Louis and an opportunity to compete for the elegant upright piano.

Ask your neighbor to let you read their copy of The Twice-a-Week Republic or send to the Contest Editor of the Twice-a-Week Republic, St. Louis, Mo., for full information and particulars.

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**To Teachers and Directors
of Ripley County.**

A meeting of the teachers and directors of Ripley county is to be held at the High School building in Doniphan next Wednesday and Thursday the 25th and 26th.

The new law makes provision for this meeting and all teachers and directors are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

It is expected that much good may result from this meeting and everybody interested in Ripley county schools is urged to be present.

Very Respectfully,
H. E. BRASCHLER,
County Superintendent.

Teachers' Examination.

The August examination for teachers will be held at the High School building in Doniphan Friday and Saturday August the 27th and 28th. The examination will begin at 8:00 a. m. The subjects will be given in order as follows:

FRIDAY.	
Forenoon	Afternoon
Geography,	Spelling,
Grammar,	Language,
Algebra,	Arithmetic,
	Literature.
SATURDAY.	
Forenoon	Afternoon
Reading,	Physiology,
Civil Government,	Pedagogy,
U. S. History,	Adv. History,
Science.	
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